

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Mossadegh's New Powers

Dr. Mossadegh has finally been granted powers which give him the right to govern by decree for six months. The question now is to what purpose and in what direction the Persian Premier intends to apply his new authority. If the economic situation in Dr. Mossadegh's principal preoccupation, it suggests that he has obtained for himself a free hand for dealing with the problem of the nation's oil industry; for oil is Persia's economy, and it is over oil which Mossadegh has created his dispute with Britain. There are sound reasons for believing the Premier is extremely worried about internal conditions in Persia—conditions largely of his own making—and that he fears pressure from the extremists, both Right and Left, which, if applied through mass demonstrations, could bring about his personal downfall, and make readily possible a Communist coup. In such circumstances, Mossadegh requires not only unchallengeable political power, but absolute control over the country's armed forces. This he appears to have gained.

THE assumption of dictatorial powers does not of itself cure Persia's chronic ills. The Premier has still to employ those powers effectively. He still lacks the means of domestically putting the oil industry into action; nor does he possess internal resources by which to save the country from bankruptcy. There is little doubt that he is looking to the United States for assistance, but it is in the knowledge that Washington firmly believes a satisfactory compromise should first be reached between Persia and Britain over the oil dispute. A dollar loan could temporarily help Persia out of her current financial embarrassment, but only the resuscitation of the oil industry can guarantee her economic stability. Mossadegh's latest proposal to Britain has been rejected, but it is noteworthy that Mr. Eden is reported to be seeking an alternative approach to the problem of making Persia's oil once again available to world markets, and it is conceivable that Mossadegh, by intelligent use of his new powers, may be able to reach a useful measure of agreement with the British Government.

New Policy Statement May Mean Bevan—Attlee Showdown

TUC ATTITUDE SUPPORTED

London, Aug. 11. Britain's Labour Party Executive today published an interim home policy statement, which may provoke fresh storms on rearmament between the Left-wing rebel, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, and the Party leader, Mr. Clement Attlee, political quarters here believe.

The policy statement, entitled "Face the Facts," is to be debated at the Labour Party's annual conference at Morecambe, Lancashire, next month.

Observers here believe that Mr. Attlee may force a showdown with the Bevanites at the conference, and the Executive's statement on rearmament could provide the occasion.

The Labour Executive in today's statement supports a declaration by the Trades Union Congress General Council in May which said "The greatest possible measure of rearmament must be carried out within the limits of our power to find the means."

The Labour Executive quoted the TUC statement, which added: "There is a direct obligation upon us to assist in enabling the country to meet the task it has undertaken."

When the TUC statement was issued, it was taken as a sharp official rebuff to the Bevanites, whose view is that the nation's economy cannot bear the present rate of rearmament without a lowering of living standards.

The Labour Executive, which at present includes Mr. Aneurin Bevan and three of his supporters out of a total of 18 members, comes up for election at the Morecambe conference. Today's statement pledges the party to "seek all means of lessening the tension between the nations, for any such improvement in the international sphere would appreciably assist Britain's economic recovery. Rearmament is a burden, it hampers the export drive and delays the full equipment of our industries."

"But peace cannot be won through weakness," the statement declares.

PERIODIC REVIEW The statement, however, calls for a periodic review of the British rearmament effort "with our allies." This review should take into account Britain's economic position, and the international situation at the time.

The cleavage in the Labour Party was spotlighted during the weekend by two Attlee supporters who strongly condemned Mr. Bevan's tactics in

Whitehall Preparing Reply To Mossadegh

Washington, Aug. 11. Diplomatic sources said today that Britain was anxious to have the full support of the United States when London replies to the latest Iranian note on the oil dispute.

The sources said that the British Ambassador here, Sir Oliver Franks, would take a copy of the British reply when it is ready to the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, for his study before it was sent to the Iranian Premier, Dr. Mohammed Mossadegh, in Tehran.

Meantime, the sources understood that British officials had informally suggested to the State Department that it might be advantageous for American experts to think up any positive ideas which the British Government might be willing to consider and perhaps incorporate them in the final draft of its reply to Dr. Mossadegh.

The sources said that the British Government, although the Iranian note offers nothing new, intends to reply to the note sympathetically and in a constructive way as possible.

POSITIVE PROPOSALS They added that the British note was expected to make positive suggestions as to how Anglo-Iranian oil accord should be reached and that these suggestions would take fully into account Iran's need for revenue and the most practical way to get oil flowing from the Abadan fields again as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, the State Department's spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, said that the Anglo-American discussion concerning Iran were continuing but that nothing specific about them could be announced at this time.

In response to a question at his daily Press conference, Mr. McDermott said that the talks had been going on for a number of months in both Washington and London. He said that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, probably would touch on the Iranian situation during his conference with President Truman today, though the appointment was believed to be primarily concerned with the Pacific Council discussions which Mr. Acheson attended in Honolulu last week—United Press.

German Border Shooting

Braunlage, Aug. 11. East and West German border guards exchanged shots near here last Friday, western frontier police disclosed today.

They said the eastern guards had penetrated 220 yards into West Germany, apparently to arrest a group of berry pickers. They immediately opened fire when a western border patrol appeared.

After a brief engagement the "invaders" withdrew into their zone.

Western police also claimed that a western customs official was shot at from across the border in this area on the same day.—Reuters.

Whirlwind Hits Swedish Town

Stockholm, Aug. 11. A whirlwind tonight caused devastation in the little town of Karlshamn in south Sweden.

A house in the main street was struck by the whirlwind and in falling down on the electric power lines caused a short-circuit so that some districts were blacked out for several hours.

The whirlwind also pulled down a tent which was used as a church and felled several big trees which blocked traffic on the streets.—Reuters.

ARMS PLANT TO CLOSE DOWN

Swansea, Aug. 11. It was announced here tonight that an arms plant in South Wales is to be closed because the British Government has cancelled an important defence order.

Some 180 employees are to be laid off.

At another plant owned by the same firm, Richard Thomas and Baldwins Limited, 200 workers will be laid off because of the same cancellation.—Reuters.

Murderer's Victims



AIR AND RAIL DISASTERS

London, Aug. 11. Two RAF planes crashed today. All three people aboard were killed when a Royal Air Force Avon air-craft crashed into 3,560-foot Mount Snowdon, tallest mountain in Wales, in a rainstorm.

The plane hit the mountain railway track, stranding two trains near the summit until the line was cleared.

The pilot was killed when a Royal Air Force jet Meteor crashed on a training flight near Nottingham. The plane exploded, scattering wreckage over a wide area.—Reuters.

RAILWAY SMASH

Interlaken, Switzerland, Aug. 11. Three people were killed and ten seriously injured in a railway smash just outside Interlaken east station late this afternoon.

The Boenigen-Interlaken passenger train, due to arrive at Interlaken east at 1745, was changing engines.

During this manoeuvre the rear part of the passenger train crashed into the last carriages of a goods train.—Reuters.

DARING ACT

London, Aug. 11. Scrambling over the carriage roofs of Britain's most famous miniature railway, a passenger today saved a runaway train crowded with holiday passengers.

The little train was travelling at 30 miles an hour when the driver, full unconscious in his cab, struck by a low bridge.

Disaster seemed certain until the passenger, Mr. L. M. Ashman, reached the regulator and brought the engine to a halt.

The railway runs on tracks of gauge 0.37 metres, serving people living along the unsheltered Romney marshes of Kent, southern England. Some 13 miles long, with ten stations, it is the only railway in the country which has not been nationalised.—Reuters.

Another Czech Consul Resigns

Ottawa, Aug. 11. Dr. George Mares, 43-year-old Czechoslovakian Consul-General in Montreal, resigned his post today and sought asylum from the Canadian government rather than take his family back behind the Iron Curtain.

Dr. Mares announced his resignation in Ottawa after conferring with Government officials here. He was granted a six-month permit to remain in the country while he looks for a job and makes arrangements to remain permanently.—United Press.

Naguib's Hand Of Friendship To British People

Cairo, Aug. 11.

General Mohammed Naguib, Commander-in-Chief of Egyptian armed forces, held out a hand of friendship to the British people today as the country prepared to break with the past and embark upon a new era of national reconstruction and renaissance.

Speaking over Cairo Radio, General Naguib declared: "I assure everyone that Egypt will always treasure the friendship of the people of England."

He spoke in English in a radio interview.

The General thanked foreign residents of Egypt for their support. Egypt, he said, was "determined to be worthy of the nation's glorious past and capable of participating in the security and peace of a better world."

The broadcast followed General Naguib's pronouncement giving political parties a final warning that if they fail to purge their own ranks, he will deal with them "in another way."

"The country has had enough of corruption, which is deep-rooted everywhere," he declared.

NO LENIENCY

The General told journalists: "We will show no leniency whatsoever in the matter of the purge of national affairs."

While they are at present preoccupied with internal affairs, the Egyptian military leaders are known to be keen for co-operation with the Western Powers for defence arrangements.

They are reported to be confident they can come to an understanding with Britain, America and France, without jeopardising its national aspirations.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian armed forces which carried out the coup are credited with the view that they "did not go to the extent of deposing a monarch just to see the old hands back at the game." They have pressed for a complete overhaul of political life, to eradicate corruption and tyranny from the country.

WINDOW DRESSING

Leaders of the coup are discredited with what they consider "window dressing" by political parties, particularly the Wafd, which claims to be the largest single political organisation in Egypt.

These military leaders also point out that the new manifesto issued by political parties continues to harp on "the old phony tunes."

General Naguib has formally disclaimed any connection or affiliation with existing political parties or particular groups or associations.

The General has declared that the army movement was neither left nor right wing of the political arena, neither Communist nor Fascist and neither

Wafdist nor of Moslem Brotherhood inspiration—but an out and out national movement.

Earlier today General Naguib's Headquarters announced that elections for a new Egyptian Parliament were to be held next February.

The General also announced he had asked the Government for a series of reforms, including limitation of land ownership and abolition of indirect taxation to improve the conditions of the peasants.

TALKS DENIED

Premier Ali Maher said today that Egypt's political stability and internal unity were essential before entering into negotiations with Britain for a settlement of the Anglo-Egyptian dispute.

He denied having fresh talks with Sir Ralph Stevenson, British Ambassador, on the Middle East Defence Command to be sponsored by the Western Powers, or on Egypt's attitude to the proposed command.

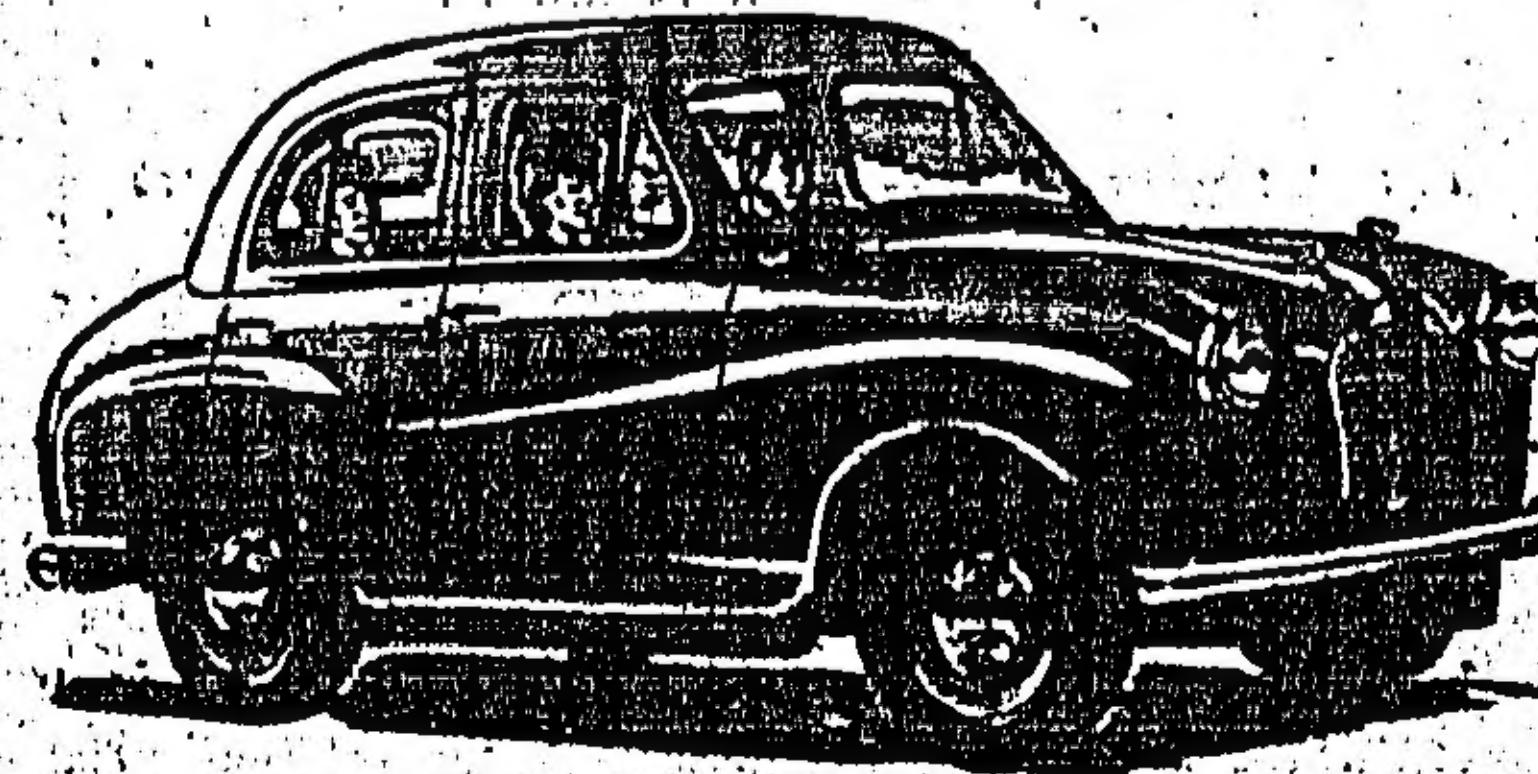
A statement from General Naguib's Headquarters denied that the armed forces threatened the dissolution of political parties. It came soon after Ali Maher, who took office last month after King Farouk abdicated, had warned political parties to reform themselves "or disappear."

The statement said: "The army movement has declared war against corruption. We are pledged to the Egyptian nation that nothing shall stand in the way of constitutional life."

"We therefore declare that it had been previously agreed with the Prime Minister that elections shall be held in February next year so that the Government, administration and political parties may have time to complete their house clean up to ensure political stability in healthy Parliamentary life."

Army Headquarters announced today that manoeuvres would be carried out in the Cairo area for seven days this week. It also warned the people that "any one spreading rumours will be considered a traitor and punished accordingly"—Reuters.

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Expert Safe Cracker Breaks Gaoil

Aberdeen, Aug. 11. An expert safe cracker, who used his art to rob Nazi Headquarters for the Allies in World War II, pulled a new trick today by vanishing from grim Peterhead prison, Aberdeen.

Wardens admitted that they did not know how the man, ex-Commando Johnny Ramensky, had escaped from their desolate gaol on the Scottish coast for the second time in his career.

All they knew was that he was in his cell last night and that a dummy was propped up in his place this morning. He had somehow reached the roof, scrambled over a wall in typical Commando fashion and ridden off on a girl's bicycle.

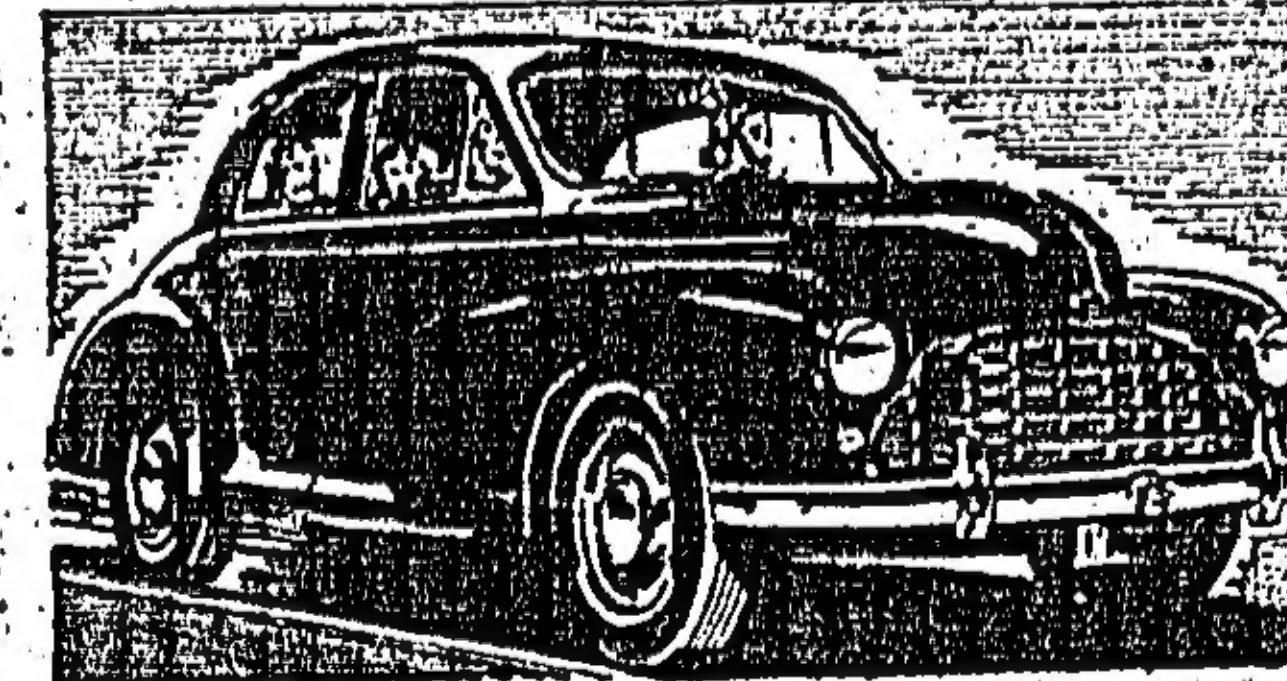
Police were alerted throughout Scotland, especially Glasgow, his home town.

Ramensky, now 45, was asked after leaving prison in 1942 to put his great experience as a burglar to good use by training Commando units in the tricks of blowing open safes.

He did so and was later sent on several missions behind the enemy lines, himself, sometimes being dropped by parachute to carry out difficult jobs; opening safes containing secret Nazi documents. After his war career he tried to go straight but failed and returned to his old trade.

On his first escape from Peterhead in 1934 he was at liberty for only 30 hours. Ramensky is serving a sentence of five years.—Reuters.

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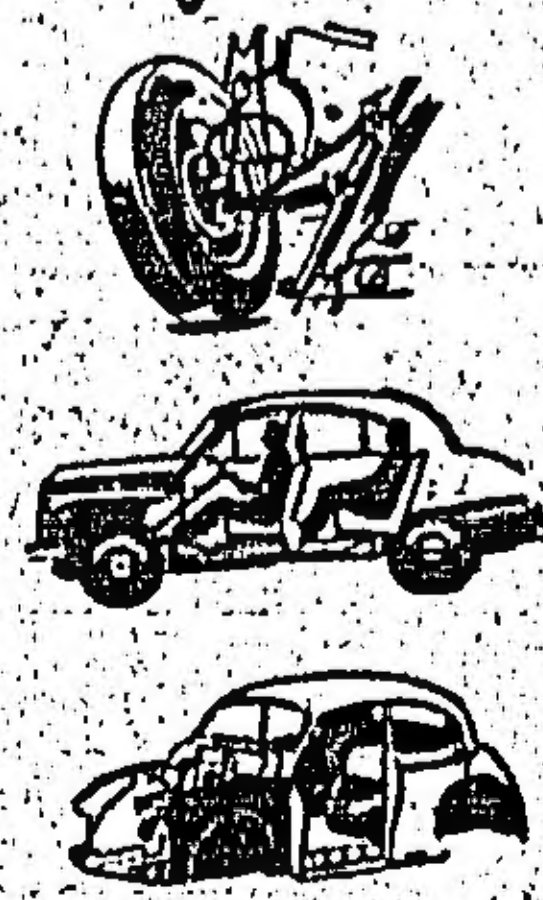


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Steel Production In The Ruhr Now Nearing The Pre-War Levels

RECORD MAY BE BROKEN BY 1954

Bonn, Aug. 11.—The last wraps have been stripped off the Ruhr, where steel production already is booming up to near pre-war peaks. With the coming into force of the Schuman Plan European iron, steel and coal pool, the Western Allies lifted all restrictions on Ruhr production. German steel experts believe that by 1954 they can break the all-time Ruhr production record of 17,800,000 tons established in 1937 when Hitler's war machine was being prepared.

Lack of investment capital is the only drawback. The Germans complain that they have little capital left, and American investors, the only foreigners who have any unused money, are being cautious. Nevertheless, Ruhr steel production has jumped an astounding 60 per cent since 1949, to reach a total of 13,100,000 tons last year. Coal production has gone up 20 per cent since 1949 and last year witnessed the production of 110,000,000 tons, slightly more than in 1930, considered the best year before Hitler's drive for empire began.

Ninety-three blast furnaces are now in operation, but 30 more, in various stages of disrepair, are idle. Most important of these are situated in the big Thyssen works, whose directors estimate that by putting unused capacity back into production they could increase their annual output from a mere 117,000 tons to 1,000,000 tons. The Thyssen concern appears to have enough capital to finance the necessary improvements. That is not, however, the case with the great Waterstadt-Sylzgritter plant, formerly owned by Hermann Goering.

CAPITAL NEEDED
The Sylzgritter works has four idle blast furnaces, and one large rolling mill, all of which badly need repairs, while two more rolling mills must be constructed to make the plant properly efficient. It could produce 800,000 tons of steel annually. But it would cost an estimated \$80,000,000 to put this plant back into operation, and no one knows yet where it is to come from.

Coal production has shown a far slower improvement than steel, and the problem there again is capital. The United States has made almost \$500,000,000 available to Ruhr mining in Marshall Plan counter-purchase funds—marks acquired by the sale of Marshall Plan goods in Germany—but more is needed.

About the only way coal production can be increased any more is to bring in new equipment and build new shafts. While some capital may be available in Germany to finance these projects, it has stayed under cover till now due to the confused state of mine ownership.

As a result of the decentralization and reorganization programme of the Allies, it is only recently that the coal mines have been taken out of the hands of trustees and returned to corporations.

HOUSING SHORTAGE
Plenty of manpower is available in Western Germany, flooded with 9,000,000 Eastern Zone refugees, but there is no place to house workers in the Ruhr.

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Both the United States and the Germans have spent enormous sums to build houses in the Ruhr, but many families still are living six or eight persons to a room. Two factors make badly-needed American capital uneasy: (1) The "co-determination" law under which the employees hold 50 per cent of the places in all iron, coal and steel company boards of directors. (2) The 1953 elections. Most political observers do not expect any serious changes in the present party line-up, dominated by parties of the right. But a lot can happen in a year and investors are keenly aware that the Socialists' platform includes nationalization of all basic industry.

WAR PRODUCTION
Most Germans, both employees and employers, appear satisfied with the Schuman Plan arrangement. The Socialists oppose it on the grounds that Germany loses her independence, but they have not been able to convince the more conservative trade unions. There is little if any disparity in French and German industrial wages, so no wage drive is expected here.

The matter of war production is still unsettled. War orders will be apportioned by the European Army headquarters when it gets into operation at the end of this year or the beginning of the next. The French, of course, hope that the Germans will not be given any war orders, or at least will not assemble any weapons of war here. But it does not really make any difference to the Ruhr barons—they already have almost a year's backlog of orders, and with steel at such a price, business ought to be at least as good for another decade.—United Press.

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Values Premier At 25 Cents!
A Karen rebel leader named Saw Seaplane, on whose head the Government placed a reward of \$2,500, has retailed by posting on the Rangoon-Frome highway a poster offering: 25 cents for delivery of Premier U Nu to him; 50 cents for Cabinet Ministers or military policemen; \$1 for ordinary soldiers; \$2 for army officers. Seaplane has been operating in the Pegu mountains, 50 miles north of Rangoon. He was reported killed in action recently, but showed up again in a skirmish with Government forces later.—Associated Press.

American Crop Estimates
Washington, Aug. 11.—The Agriculture Department today forecast a 1952 corn crop of 3,135,000,000 bushels, down from last month's 3,365,000,000-bushel estimate, with drought losses in the South contributing to the decline. The Crop Reporting Board estimated the wheat harvest at 1,208,389,000 bushels, with average yields of 18.4 bushels per acre compared with the 1,249,019,000-bushel crop forecast in July.—United Press.

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ACHESON'S PLEDGE TO SCHUMAN PLAN POOL

Washington, Aug. 11.—The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, pledged in a formal statement today that the United States would give strong support to the European coal and steel community which came into existence officially yesterday.

He said: "It is the intention of the United States to give the coal and steel community the strongest support that its importance to political and economic unification of Europe warrants. As appropriate under treaty, the United States will now deal with the community on coal and steel matters."

Mr. Acheson's statement was issued to mark the inauguration of the Schuman Plan organization. The first meeting of its High Authority in Luxembourg yesterday was an important event in history, Mr. Acheson said. He added: "The six-nation coal and steel community represents the first major step toward unification in Europe. I am confident that in the near future we will see these nations take additional strides in this direction—ratification of the treaty instituting the European Defence Community and action to develop a supra-national European political authority."—United Press.

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Stirred Up A Wasps' Nest

Aug. 11, Aug. 11. Roger White, 14, fell into a wasps' nest at Blaise Castle, a Bristol beauty spot. Within seconds he was covered with angry buzzing insects. Another boy, Roger, mother and her two other children, who went to his rescue, were beaten back by the wasps. The boy was eventually rescued by park rangers. Wasps were combed from his hair and turned out of pockets. He had more than 100 stings which were treated at a hospital.—Reuter.

MacDonald Analyses Indo-China Situation

Singapore, Aug. 11. Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General for South-East Asia, said here today that the situation in Indo-China was politically and militarily in all the circumstances reasonably good.

Mr. MacDonald, who has just returned from week's tour of Indo-China, said that French Union forces around the Red River Valley area were so strong that they could beat back any attack that the Communist Vietnamese may launch with aid from friends outside Indo-China.

Newly-created civilian units, identical with the Malayan Home Guard, were working in conjunction with the military forces.

They were doing clearing-up jobs after a village or a town had been occupied.

Mr. MacDonald said that the Indo-China Government's four immediate aims were:

1. Build up a strong Vietnamese Army.

2. Increase the national budget.

3. Make preparations for calling the National Assembly.

4. Launch a policy of agrarian reform.

Mr. MacDonald said that the Vietnamese Government had, since its formation, had a number of energy, action and strength and was making slow but reliable progress.

He added that the French had not asked for more aid from the British, and that they were very pleased with the flow of American aid now reaching Indo-China.—United Press.

Pilgrimage Ship Unseaworthy

Casablanca, Aug. 11. A Panamanian ship, specially chartered from Tangiers to carry 794 Moroccan Moslems on their pilgrimage to Mecca, was declared unseaworthy by the port authorities here today, arousing bitter complaints from disappointed pilgrims.

A telegram was sent from the group to the ship's charterers in Tangiers, strongly protesting against the hold-up.—Reuter.

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COMMUNISM FAILS TO GAIN IN ARAB LANDS

Mr. Eden's Fiancee A Writer On Ballet

London, Aug. 12. The engagement of Mr. Anthony Eden, 55, the Foreign Secretary, and Miss Clara Spencer-Churchill, 32, niece of the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, will be formally announced today.

Miss Spencer-Churchill is the daughter of Winston's only brother, the late Major Jack Spencer-Churchill, sometimes called "the Churchill nobody knew."

Major Spencer-Churchill died in 1947, aged 67.

Ash blonde and blue-eyed, Miss Spencer-Churchill was hailed as the most beautiful debutante of 1938.

She has written on ballet, the theatre, books and films, has studied philosophy at Oxford University and English and French literature at London University. In the last war she worked for a time at the Foreign Office.

Mr. Eden was granted a divorce against his first wife, Beatrice, on the grounds of desertion in June, 1950. She had lived in the United States for two years.

They had two sons, Nicholas and Simon. Simon was lost on a bomber raid in the last war.

Up to a few years ago, a member of the House of Commons and particularly a Cabinet Minister would have offered to resign after being a party to a divorce suit.

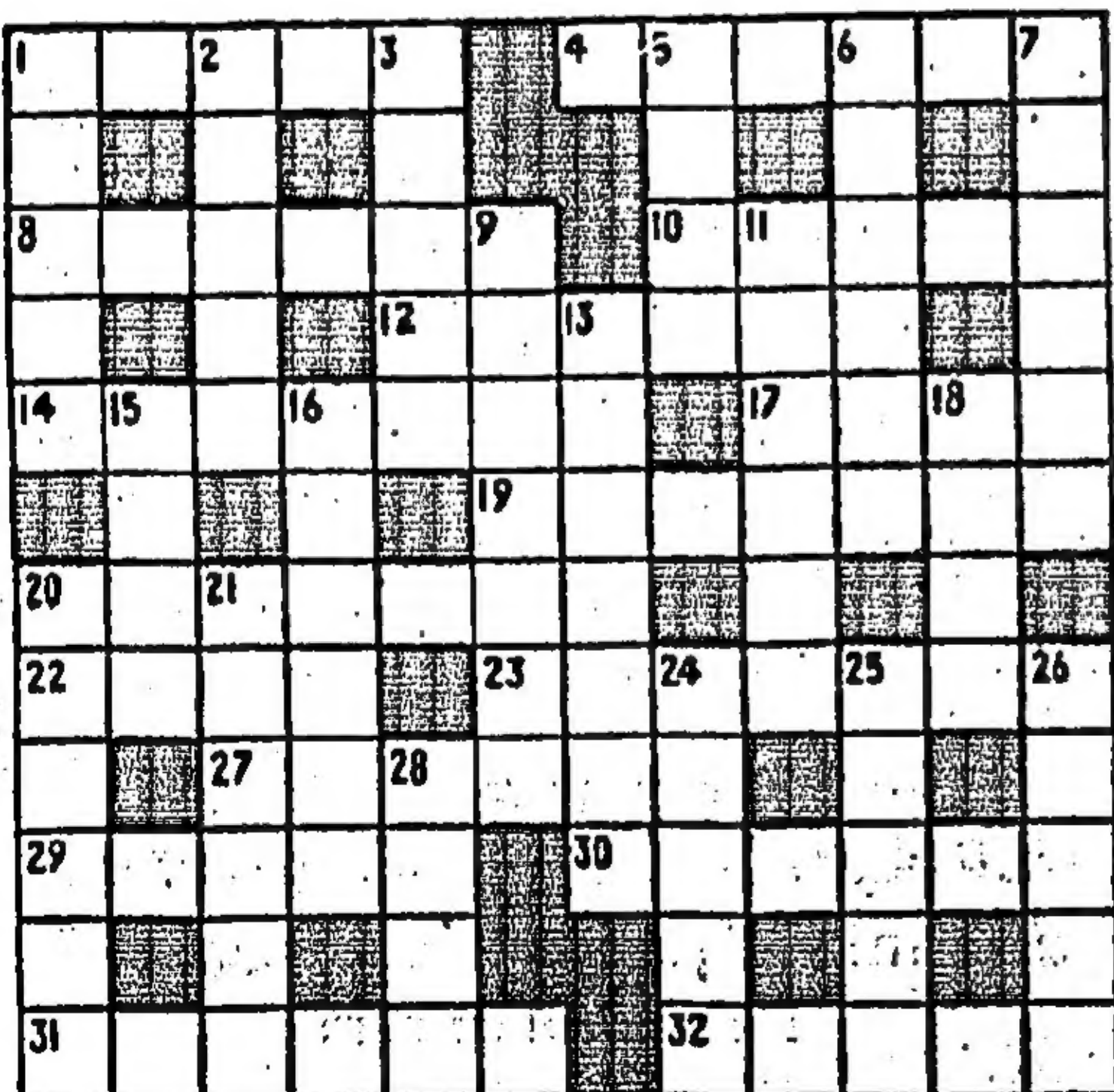
This strict unwritten law is no longer followed, though divorced persons still may not be admitted to the exclusive Royal Enclosure at the Ascot Races attended by the Sovereign.—Reuter.

INVITATION TO UNIONISTS

Washington, Aug. 10. The Congress of Industrial Organizations urged its affiliates today to invite foreign workers in this country on Government-sponsored trips to visit CIO unions for a week or so and "see how we live."

A new pamphlet by the CIO Research Department suggested that one of the best ways to develop mutual understanding among workers of the democratic nations is to ask foreign trade unionists to "visit your union in your town."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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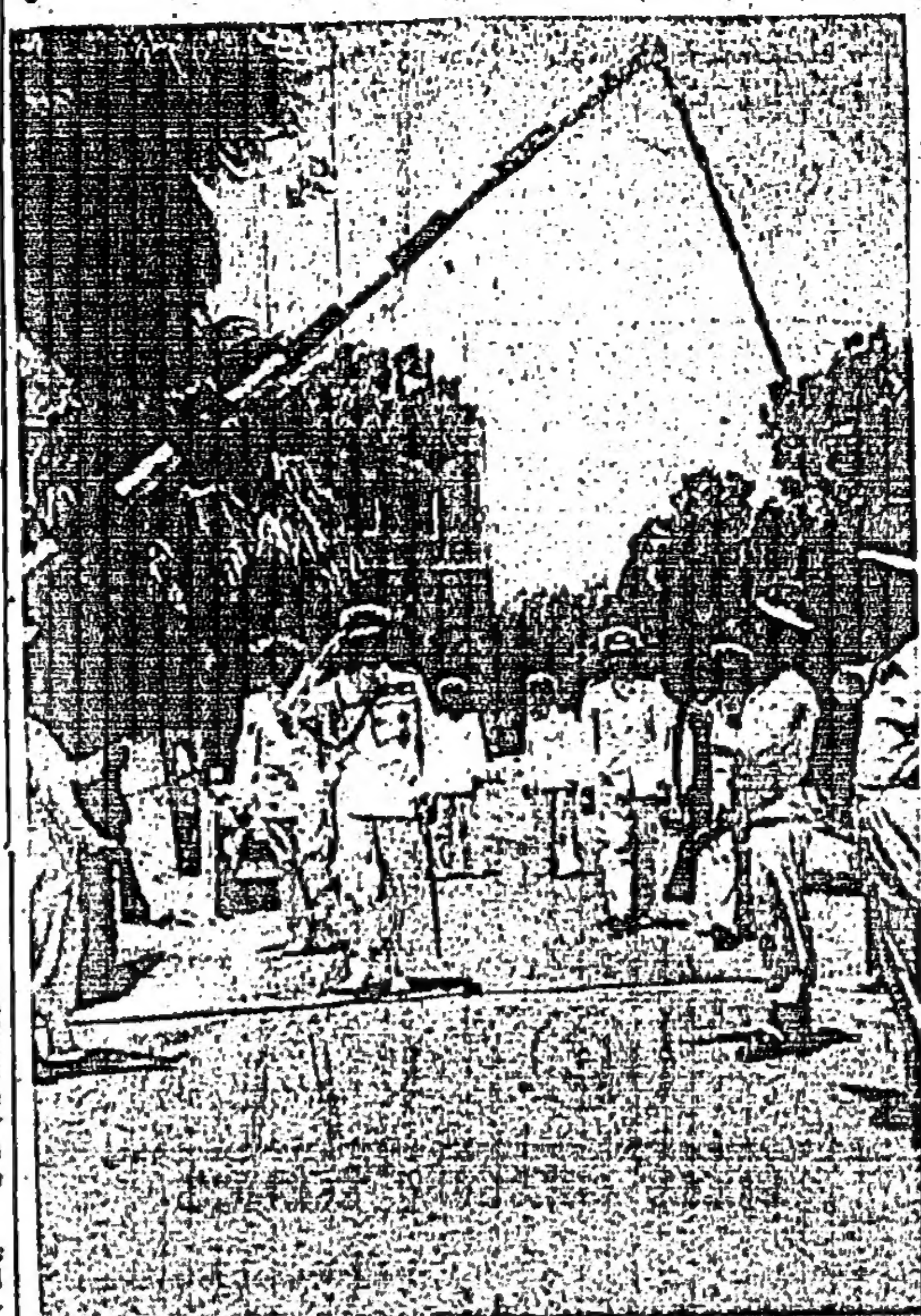
- 1 Sand (5).
- 4 Litter (6).
- 8 Concerning dogs (6).
- 10 Scratch out (5).
- 12 Delighted (6).
- 14 Began (7).
- 17 Undergarment (4).
- 19 Books (7).
- 20 Orderly (7).
- 22 Part of the eye (4).
- 23 Organic substance (7).
- 25 Soften (6).
- 26 Temper (6).
- 30 Mild (6).
- 31 Obscure (6).
- 32 Sensational (5).

DOWN

- 1 Tortures (5).
- 2 Heavenly food (5).
- 3 Doctrine (5).
- 5 Assist (4).
- 6 Crown (6).
- 7 Happenings (6).
- 9 Host (7).
- 11 Variety shows (6).
- 13 Worshipping (7).
- 15 Now (4).
- 16 Stirred (6).
- 18 Withered (4).
- 20 Tear (6).
- 21 Beam (6).
- 24 Purling (6).
- 25 Extreme (5).
- 28 Swiftly (5).
- 29 Musical instrument (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 3 Composed, 8 Room, 9 Attained, 11 Passport, 13 Urge, 15 Confirms, 16 Listened, 19 Scap, 21 Repented, 23 Restored, 25 Vain, 27 Meditate, Down: 1 Trip, 2 Mass, 4 Otto, 5 Pent, 6 Scholar, 7 Dotted, 9 April, 10 Trams, 12 Above, 14 Geese, 16 Rider, 17 Steep, 19 Stream, 20 Based, 21 Rout, 22 Fast, 23 Trap, 24 Dory.

Mountbatten In Israel



Admiral Lord Mountbatten, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, recently visited Tel Aviv in the frigate "Surprise". He met Mr Ben Gurion, the Prime Minister, Mr Joseph Springzak, acting President of Israel, political and military leaders and discussed aspects of regional defence. Here Lord Mountbatten is seen arriving at the Israel Admiralty during his visit. —Express Photo.

Adlai Stevenson To Get Briefing From President

Washington, Aug. 11.

Governor Adlai Stevenson will receive a top-level briefing on the defence build-up and the tense world situation and will then confer privately with President Truman during his flying visit here tomorrow.

The time-table was announced by the White House Press Secretary, Mr Joseph Short, who said he had heard no discussion of a proposal to invite Mr Dwight Eisenhower, the Republican presidential nominee, to the executive mansion for a similar briefing.

The private conference between the Illinois Governor and the man he hopes to succeed in the White House is expected to centre on campaign politics, possibly including the question of which of the two is to make the major address on Labour Day.

It has been reported there was a "controversy" over whether the Democratic nominee would deliver the main speech in Detroit or Mr Truman would speak in Milwaukee. Stevenson headquarters said there was some question but no controversy over the matter.

Refugee's Tale Of Prison Escape

Munich, Aug. 11.

A Czech refugee today said he and John Hvasta, an American student, escaped with four other prisoners last Jan. 2 from a Czech prison. Hvasta had been serving a 10-year sentence for spying. Although born in Czechoslovakia, he had acquired American citizenship as a child.

His whereabouts now are the subject of a wide inquiry.

The refugee's story supported an official Czech announcement of Aug. 8 that Hvasta escaped on Jan. 2 and that his whereabouts since were unknown.

The story of the escape was told in an interview by Jaroslav Burec, 39.

Burec said four prominent political prisoners fled at the same time as himself and Hvasta, but he did not name them.

He identified the prison as one at Leopoldov, 30 miles northeast of Bratislava, where only prominent prisoners of those considered especially dangerous were held. By Burec's account:

The six fugitives slipped out unnoticed by guards late in the afternoon. They parted into two groups of three at a river two miles away. Hvasta went one way, while Burec went another. They planned to meet again, but

were unable to find each other thereafter.

Burec was confident, however, that Hvasta had not been shot or recaptured. He was probably hiding in some small village.

Burec succeeded in making his way across the heavily-guarded Czech border into west Germany.

Hvasta, 25, of Hillsdale, N.J., was arrested by Czech secret police in October, 1940, and following May was sentenced to three years in prison on charges of espionage.

After an appeal, a second trial in April, 1950, increased Hvasta's sentence to 10 years. U.S. officials have steadfastly rejected the Czech spy charges as unfounded.

Hvasta was born in Czechoslovakia, and returned there as a student in 1940, about the time the Communists seized control of the Czech Government. He worked for a short time in the U.S. Consulate in Bratislava.—Associated Press.

Sweden Holding Big Manoeuvres In The Baltic

HINT TO RUSSIA

Stockholm, Aug. 11.

Neutral Sweden's Navy and Air Force are holding their biggest manoeuvres yet in the Baltic during the two months of August and September. The two services have standing instructions to shoot if attacked by Soviet forces.

A Swedish-Russian clash in the Baltic has been considered a possibility here since Soviet fighters shot down two unarmed Swedish aircraft earlier this summer.

Stockholm newspapers say that the Swedes are using the manoeuvres to show Russia that she cannot scare them out of the Baltic. Scaring them out of these international waters was, it is believed here, one of Russia's reasons for shooting down the two planes and—tactically—extending her territorial waters from four to 12 nautical miles.

To show that the Baltic is still the Swedish Air Force's "stamping ground," as one spokesman put it, the Swedish planes will range over its eastern half while taking care to keep outside the Soviet territorial limits.

The manoeuvres will be defensive and offensive. To make them as comprehensive as possible and to give them a touch of real wartime conditions, a number of concepts will be called up to take part in them. A number of "Lofoten" Swedish woman volunteers, corresponding to Britain's "W.A.A.F.s," will also play an important part by helping in the operations control room and other places.

In the defensive manoeuvres, reconnaissance planes, fighters and light bombers, some of them based on Gotland, Sweden's Baltic island province, will meet an attack from the East. Down below, in the Baltic, Swedish warships, protected by an air umbrella, will be watching for an invasion fleet.

In the offensive manoeuvres, Sweden's big Air Force, the largest in Western Europe after

Great Britain's, will divide into two. One half will make mock attacks on towns, railway junctions, power stations and other key targets up and down Sweden, while the other, aided by Army anti-aircraft units, will meet the attackers and try to drive them off.

The manoeuvres will be held at about the same time as the scheduled NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organisation) manoeuvres in the Baltic. Sweden's Communist daily newspaper "Ny Dag" has been using this coincidence as the basis for accusations that the Swedish Government is holding secret combined manoeuvres with the Western Allies. The paper has been asking why the Swedish High Command is holding the manoeuvres in the Baltic, on the Russian side of Sweden, instead of in the North Sea, on the Western side.

Official sources have denied repeatedly these recurrent accusations in "Ny Dag" of "intrigue with the Western Powers." The manoeuvres, it is understood, are being held at the most suitable time for them. Moreover, Soviet combined air and sea manoeuvres, during which the two unarmed Swedish aircraft were shot down, occupied most of the air over the Baltic during the first half of the summer.

As for the manoeuvres being held off Sweden's 1,000-mile long East coast, this is her most vulnerable side, as history shows. Her Western side is shielded by Norway—and she fears no attack from the Norwegians.

While Sweden's armed forces are preparing to show their right to operate in international Baltic waters, the diplomatic battle between her Government and the Russians over the two missing planes—a Dakota and a Catalina—has reached a deadlock.

Sweden accuses Russia of shooting down both planes and Russia admits only that her MIG fighters shot down the Catalina. All eight men on the Dakota were lost. The seven men on the Catalina were picked up by the West German steamer Muensterland.

Russia claims that both planes violated Soviet territory and Sweden denies this. Sweden has produced documentary evidence, including testimony from the captain of the Muensterland, to support her case, and has suggested that the dispute be submitted to the Hague Court or some other responsible international body for arbitration.

Russia has refused. She has also refused to allow the Hague Court to arbitrate on her claim to a 12 sea miles territorial waters limit in the Baltic instead of the four sea miles which the Swedes say "have been customary for centuries."

The Swedish Press is now accusing Russia of "gangster imperialism" in the Baltic. Sweden's foreign policy is still firmly neutral. But Russia's actions in the Baltic have given it a hard jolt.—Reuter.

Snags Delay Reparations Conference

The Hague, Aug. 11.

A spokesman of the Israeli delegation today listed three points as delaying the conclusion of the conference here between West Germany, Israel and a World Jewish delegation on compensation to be paid to the Jewish victims of the Nazis.

He said the first difficulty was the language problem. Involved by the treaty now being drafted, the official and binding text would be in English and it was the German translation that was taking so much time.

Secondly, there were the clauses on which no agreement had yet been reached, but the spokesman said he had refused to specify them.

The third point at issue was the stability clause ensuring Israel's compensation in goods should the mark be devalued.—Reuter.

EX-ENEMY COUNTRIES ADMITTED

World Bank Decision

Washington, Aug. 11.

Germany and Japan will be admitted as members of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank this year.

Japan is expected to sign the articles of agreement of the two organisations on Wednesday, and Germany on Thursday.

Admission of the two countries will bring total membership in the Bank and Fund to 53.

Informed quarters said they expected Japan's fund quota to be fixed at \$250,000,000, of which \$25,000,000 would be paid in gold.

Germany's quota would be \$330,000,000, of which \$33,000,000 would be in gold.

Both countries will probably send delegations to the annual meeting of governors at Mexico City, opening on Sept. 3.

The size of their quotas is expected to assure both countries a seat on the Board of Executive Directors, expanding the Board from 14 to 16 members.

The biennial election of directors will be held next month.—Reuter.

New Method Of Polling

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 11.

A popcorn merchant of Nashville has had a new idea in political popularity polls. He has ordered 10,000,000 containers carrying the picture of Mr. Eisenhower, Republican candidate for President, and 10,000,000 with the picture of the Democratic candidate, Governor Stevenson of Illinois.

The merchant, Mr. Jim Blevins, expects that consumers of popcorn in theatres, carnivals and baseball parks throughout the nation will select the package carrying the candidate of their choice. He expects results by September 1 and quickly thereafter.—Reuter.

CEYLON'S RICE SHORTAGE

Colombo, Aug. 11.

Ceylon is short of nearly 70,000 tons of rice this year, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Food Ministry told the House of Representatives today. He said the country was still living a "ship to mouth" existence but the island would never starve.

Negotiations were going on with the United States for rice, he said.—Reuter.

This Fire Put Itself Out

Sunderland, Aug. 11. A fire here last night put itself out. First there was a short circuit which set fire to gas in a gas pipe which shot out flame to a nearby water pipe which melted the pipe which spouted water which put out the fire.—United Press.

Girl Guides Hold Camp In England

HK Representative Attending

London, Aug. 11.

Hongkong's representative, Melissa Kwan, is one of some 1,000 Girl Guides from the Colonies and over 30 other countries, including Britain, at the Guide International Camp in the grounds of the Hall Barn, Beaconsfield.

The Camp opened today and will continue until Aug. 18. In the absence of Lady Stratheden and Campbell, the Chief Commissioner, overseas visitors were welcomed today by Mrs Geoffrey Gibbs, the Deputy Chief Commissioner.

A special message from Princess Margaret, Commander of the Sea Rangers, was read at the welcoming ceremony.

Lady Susan Fowler, GBE, World Chief Guide, will fly from Norway specially to attend on Sunday. She will visit the various groups in the camp and speak to the guides at a campfire after supper.

Highlight of the camp will be a mammoth campfire to be held on Wednesday from 8.30-10 p.m. The guides already there will be joined for the occasion by 7,000 others from different parts of Great Britain.

Other activities include group demonstrations, an open day for visitors and excursions. Each country invited will demonstrate some particularly national aspect of their guiding—national dances, cooking, handicrafts or campcraft. Excursions include visits to London, Windsor, Greenwich, and trips down the Thames.—London Express Service.

Microphone Qualities Of The Ear

Washington, Aug. 11.

New facts about the "microphone" qualities of the ear are reported by the United States Navy, which says that the research points to possibilities for protecting airmen, divers and submarine men against certain potential hearing hazards.

The Navy announcement states that scientists at the Naval Medical Research Laboratory at New London, Connecticut, have succeeded in recording and measuring the electrical energy produced in the inner ear of small animals when exposed to sound.

Explaining that the inner ear works roughly like the conventional microphone used for television and radio, converting weak sounds into stronger ones by electrical means, the Navy announcement says that the ear generates its own electrical energy.

Scientists have long sought to measure this energy in order to test the effects upon electrical output caused by varying amounts of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the blood of animals under test.

Such research is important, the Navy says, because scientists are concerned with possible effects on the inner ear produced by shortage of oxygen and overabundance of carbon dioxide in such people as aviators, divers and submarine men.—Reuter.

U.S. Destroyers Hit By Shells

Washington, Aug. 11.

Two United States destroyers were hit by Communist shore batteries off Korea and one man was killed and another wounded, the Navy announced today.

The destroyers are the Barton and the John B. Pierce. The Barton engagement occurred on Sunday, Korean Time. The Pierce was struck on August 6 and was seriously damaged. The Barton was not as severely damaged. The Navy said that the Barton was hit by 75-millimetre fire near Wagon, on the east coast of Korea, during an engagement with shore batteries.—United Press.

TWO HONOURS FOR ALEC BEDSER



Jack Parker congratulating Alec Bedser at the Oval after he had taken eight wickets for 18 runs against Notts, also taking his 1,000th wicket in first class cricket. Others in the picture are (left to right) Dave Fletcher, Jim Laker and Laurie Fishlock.—Central Press Photo.

Surrey Gain Four Valuable Points As 16 Wickets Fall At The Oval

London, Aug. 11.

Surrey gained four valuable first innings points today when after a blank Saturday 16 wickets fell at the Oval.

Those points may be vital in getting Surrey home for the County Championship, as Yorkshire, their nearest rivals, cannot be certain of a first innings lead, let alone a result.

Play at Bradford was possible for only 90 minutes today, during which Yorkshire added 100 runs to their restricted Saturday's score and as a maximum of under 4½ hours' play is due tomorrow—weather permitting—there is little prospect of any more than a first innings decision and that is doubtful.

Surrey skittled Middlesex out for a meagre total but that was higher than seemed likely when half the side were out for 30. But Surrey also found conditions difficult until Fishlock played a notable part in a third wicket stand of 45. But with the spin of Young claiming two victims late in the day the Surrey score was not too impressive when stumps were drawn.

Glamorgan owed much to their later batsmen, who produced a total of 220 after six wickets had fallen for 116, and when Somerset's first four men went for only 41 the Welshmen seemed to be on top. But Watts and Buse then put on 60 in an unbroken fifth wicket stand and an exciting struggle is promised for first innings points.

Don Kenyon, Worcestershire's opening batsman, hit his highest score of the season, when he carried his bat through the day's play for 171 not out, which included 22 boundaries.

In the earlier meeting with Nottinghamshire this season

Kenyon was out first ball, Kenyon and Outchouff put on 60 for the second wicket and Kenyon and Richard Bird, the Worcestershire captain, added 153 for the third.

Essex are in a bad plight but would have been worse had not Horsfall taken out his bat for an invaluable 70 after going in at the fall of the second wicket. On a rain-affected pitch, the batsmen were always in trouble until late in the day when a century opening stand put Worcestershire in a sound position.

Grove, who had three wickets for one run in one spell of seven balls, was the chief worry to Essex.

ISRAELI CHESS PLAYERS PUT UP A STRUGGLE

Helsinki, Aug. 11.

Israel's Corniak held the advantage over Russia's No. 1 player, Paul Keres, today when their first round match of the Chess Olympics preliminary tournament was interrupted for the third time after nine hours' play.

The game was interrupted after 73 moves and will be resumed on Wednesday. Israel deprived Russia of a "sure" half point on Sunday when Oren played a draw with the Soviet master, Smyslov.—United Press.

Both Derbyshire and Lancashire, third and fourth in the County table to Surrey and Yorkshire, finished with first innings arrears.

Hampshire gained the points against Lancashire by only 17 runs and some vigorous driving by Shackleton, who once hit Brian Statham, newly selected for England's Test team, to the boundary, was a telling factor.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

London, Aug. 11.

Close of play scores of today's cricket matches were:

At Cheltenham—Gloucestershire 198, Indians 111 for eight wickets.

At the Oval—Middlesex 77 (Alec Bedser three for 17, Lock three for 12), Surrey 93 for six.

At Weston—Super—Mare—Glamorgan 229, Somerset 101 for 4.

At Lord's (two-day match)—Combined Services 178, Public Schools 157.

At Bradford—Yorkshire 187 for four, Rain curtailed play, Sussex to bat.

At Southend—Warwickshire 228 and 106 for one—Essex 173.

At Portsmouth—Lancashire 133 and 157 for four, Hampshire 150.

At Wellingborough—Northamptonshire 219 and 46 for three, Derbyshire 118.

At Leamington—Kent 132, Leicestershire 202 for eight.

At Nottingham—Nottinghamshire was fielding and Worcestershire scored 266 for four.

INDIAN TOUR

London, Aug. 11.

In a day when 18 wickets fell for 213 runs before bowlers who seized the opportunity to exploit the rain-affected pitch here, two men, Adhikari of the Indian tourists, and Tom Graveney, Gloucestershire's Test player, showed how determined batting achieves its reward.

They both played splendidly and each rescued his side.

Starting the day at 96 for no wickets, the County were quickly in trouble, and chiefly as the result of Graveney's fine knock of 56 not out, took their total to 198.

Similarly, the Indians, when they batted, lost quick wickets, while Adhikari in Graveney's role helped the score along to 111 for eight wickets by the close.

Controlling his defence and always getting to the pitch of the ball when making a forward stroke, Adhikari was 60 not out at the end of the day.

There was no doubt that conditions were difficult for scoring but apart from Graveney and Adhikari, most of the other batsmen were guilty of irresolute and weak strokes.

Phadkar and Hazare were the mainstay in the Indians' attack, while Wells, with his off breaks, sorely troubled the tourists' batsmen.

The Indians will continue batting tomorrow 91 runs in arrears with two first innings wickets standing.

Six Indian wickets had fallen for 52, but the Indians always had hopes to bring in Adhikari, but he could find somebody to stay with him.

He never gave a chance and certainly astonished his claims to being one of India's best batsmen on an English pitch.

Phadkar bowled offensively to marked effect and pitching the ball well up, always made the batsmen attempt to play him.—Reuter.

Round The Soccer Clubs

"TRANSFER FEES?—NEVER HEARD OF THEM," SAYS CHARLTON'S JIMMY SEED

By HENRY ROSE

Charlton's Seed is unimpaired. The market is still. The cry has changed from "too much money chasing too few soccer stars" to "no money chasing the players."

The spirit that animated in 18 years from the £14,000 paid for Bryn Jones, in 1938, to the £38,500 by Sheffield Wednesday to Notts County for Jackie Sewell, in 1951, is due for a downward plunge.

Money for soccer stars is not only tight—it is practically non-existent.

And here's the club manager who could not care less.

"Transfer fees? What are they? Never heard of 'em," says Jimmy Seed, celebrating his coming of age as a London club manager—all but two of the 21 at Charlton.

"We're not affected by the state of the soccer money market. We've never 'thrown our money around' even when we've had it—and we're not going to start now."

AN ACHIEVEMENT

"Staying in the First Division once you've got there is an achievement"—Jimmy Seed's Charlton in two seasons—"and I'm happy as long as we can do that."

"We are regarded as one of London's unfashionable clubs; no glamour and all that. So what?"

Jimmy Seed does not say so, but he regards this as a challenge, so some of the fashionable and glamorous clubs had better look out.

No illusions about the job. It is going to be tough, mightily tough, for the Seed has "bought" a team of 11 players of First Division quality to juggle with.

"But back to that cash angle. Would he give more money to the star player? A definite 'No' with this afterthought—

"The star player does get more than the average player by waiting for the newspapers, sponsoring football boots, and so on."

"So by and large I don't think he has any cause to grumble," says Jimmy.

Backstage from the noisy, cheery bunch of players I heard

of grumbles.

What they may lack in glamour they make up for in team spirit and loyalty. No wonder, practically all the 40-strong company are one-club men.

Jimmy has paid a couple of "chicken feed" fees—£25,000 to West Ham for Benny Fenton, and £23,000 to Torquay for Cardiff-born left-half Gordon Pembury.

SCOUTING NETWORK

The Seed scouting network, extending right up to his own native North-East, is at the ready with interesting schedule work.

Coaching is in full swing under trainer Jimmy Trotter. "The best in the world," says Seed.

Sportsman's Diary

Hassett Gives A Warning To Australia

Australian Test captain, Lindsay Hassett, thinks the Australians can expect "their hardest fight for the Ashes since the last war" when they visit England next summer. No one is likely to argue with him on this point.

Hassett, writing in the Melbourne Argus, says: "England has been building her team constructively, and since Sir Don Bradman's retirement has been catching up on Australia."

Most encouraging. Our selectors this season have at least shown a realistic approach by choosing a professional—Len Hutton—as captain.

REAL CLASH

And at long last young cricketers of real class—Tom Graveney, Peter May and Fred Trueman—have emerged to support the acknowledged best cricketers in the world in their respective roles—Hutton opening bat, Alec Bedser opening bowler—and our other veterans.

Who can blame anyone for feeling confident about our chances?

CHARLTON SIGNS

Amateur soccer international Stan Charlton, Bromley F.C.'s right-back who was a member of the British Olympic team at Helsinki, has signed as an amateur for Leyton Orient.

I anticipate that 22-year-old Charlton will play regularly for the Third Division club as they are not overburdened with full-backs.

BOY WEARS DOUBLE

Schoolboy cricketer with great promise is Timothy Goodwin, pupil of Holmwood House Preparatory School, Loughton Green, Kent.

He has shown remarkable all-round ability by making more than 600 runs in 21 innings for an average of 54.3, and has taken 63 wickets at a cost of 5.5 each.

For a boy of only 13 years of age this is an outstanding record.

Goodwin, well built for his age, and the son of a Maidstone doctor, has won a scholarship to Lancing College.

WALK RECORD

Record entry of 69 for the Brighton Athletic Club Hastings-Highgate walk on Saturday, August 10 includes an Olympic champion, F. Hayward, of St. John's Newfoundland. He was Canada's solo representative in the 50 kilometres walk at Helsinki.

As an overseas competitor permission was to be obtained for him to compete.

Entries include three past winners, John Henderson, Stirling AC, Charles Meggin, Highgate Harriers, and Percy Redding, Polytechnic, the present holder.

Ten teams include Surrey Walking Club, Polytechnic, Woodford Green, Leicester Walking Club and Highgate Harriers, the holders.

—(London Express Service)

GOLD MEDAL WINNERS



Foxhunter and Colonel Harry Llewellyn, Gold Medal winners at the Olympic Games, arrive home.

There were drinks for all at the village inn at the Leicestershire village of Thrusington, where Foxhunter was first trained and then sold for less than £100.

But, Colonel Llewellyn said: "There was not one horse, Foxhunter. Do please remember Aberlow and Nitzella." These two horses with their riders, Wilfred Whitehead and Lieutenant Colonel Douglas Stewart, completed the trio which brought back the only gold medals from the Olympic Games.—Express Photo.

DON COCKELL SEEKS A FIGHT WITH JOHNNY WILLIAMS

By GEORGE WHITING

The chances of Johnny Williams, British and Empire Heavyweight Champion, fighting Germany's Heinz Neuhaus in Britain for the European title are fading.

Football clubs approached thoughtfully of the prospect of a boxing crowd trampling their turf at the start of a new season; Greyhound tracks inspected were unsuitable.

If the fight takes place at all it will be in Germany, says manager Ted Broadbent, with Williams asking to be paid on the gate rather than accepting his share of an official purse-offer.

Optimistically, Williams' thoughts are occupied less with Herr Neuhaus than with some of the "big name" Americans. Meanwhile, Johann may like to know that one of his rivals of four years ago would like to punch him on the nose—as a strictly commercial proposition, of course.

Cockell is the name—Don Cockell, Cruiserweight Champion in these parts until Randolph Turpin beat him in the 11th round last June.

HAS A FANCY

In the summer of 1948 Cockell shared two verdicts with Williams in the Midlands. Now, recovered from the Turpin debacle—and enriched to the tune of £10,750 from his last two fights as a champion—Cockell has a fancy to return to the ring as a full-blown and unashamed heavyweight.

Manager John Simpson, recovering slowly from the illness that kept him out of Cockell's corner against Turpin, tells me that Don still believes he has the beating of the "Leamington Flyer" at 12st. 7lb.

But he added: "I am advising him, however, that his future lies with the heavyweights, somewhere around 13st. 7lb. As a heavyweight, he could train normally, without being handicapped by the gland peculiarity that always used to worry him when he had to make 12st. 7lb."

"Don could put paid to any of the heavyweights performing these days. Having watched hundreds of rounds in the gymnasium between him and Jack Gattiner, I can assure you that he could hang a right hand on Jack's chin just when he liked."

"He has boxed with Tommy Farr and has plastered Ray."

Williams' ribs almost as he began his "official" heavyweight campaign by meeting Frank

Boil, the old Yorkshireman with this "heavyweight" menace at the end of his long right arm? —(London Express Service)

Hockey Association's Annual Meeting To Be Held On Friday

The Hongkong Hockey Association, at its last Council meeting decided to hold its annual general meeting on Friday at 6 p.m. at the Victoria Recreation Club mainly to elect new officers and other members of the Council in connection with the plans for the forthcoming season.

The following names were proposed by the Council:

President—Mr G. T. Palmov.

Vice-Presidents: Lady Macarthur, Mrs. E. L. Halsey, Service.

Members: Royal Navy—Mrs. J. G. Arthur, RN; Army—Lt. Col. E. Turner RA; RAF—Lt. A. Corden; Other member—Mr A. M. Xavier.

Hon. Treasurer—Mr A. M. Xavier.

Hon. Secretary—Mr J. A. R. May.

Members of Council: Ladies' representatives—Miss J. Crispin, Mrs. J. Macarthur; Other representatives—Messrs. Mak-sing, A. A. Abbas, G. B. Wilson, A. L. Nery, F. B. Thorpe, Krishan Lal.

OTHER BUSINESS

Other business to be attended to includes—Consideration and adoption of the audited balance sheet as at June 30, 1952; Consideration of amendments to the rules of the HKHA; Consideration of the report for the last season and other business of which due notice must have been given.

Each affiliated club or association is entitled to send three voting representatives to the Annual General Meeting and only authorized representatives are entitled to take part in the

proceedings. The above list of names proposed by the Council for election does not exclude the proposal of other names by authorized representatives.

It is most important that clubs should inform the Hon. Sec. (Temp) of the number of terms they propose to enter in the leagues for the 1952-53 hockey season and also give the following particulars:

Name, address and telephone number of Hon. Sec. of the Club; Colours to be worn by the teams; Ground for home matches.

Earlier in the week following the annual general meeting, there will be a meeting of the Council of the HKHA to organize the leagues for the coming season, so that the details of the teams (mentioned above) must be available by then.

In view of the shortage of umpires, a course of lectures will be run by Mr. Sgt. Ashbridge, Chairman of the Umpires' Guild, weekly on Monday evenings at the VRC commencing on Monday, Aug. 18. All enthusiastic volunteers will be welcome.

UMPIRES' MEETING

There will be a meeting for all hockey umpires on Wednesday, August 13, at the International Sports Co., 10 Felling Road, Kowloon.

AUSSIE GOLD MEDALLIST



After the race picture of Russell Mockridge of Australia (left) and M. Morand of Italy (right) the first and second men home in the 1,000 metres Olympic time trial cycling event at Helsinki.—Express Photo.

THE GAMBOLE



Dave Sands Dies After Lorry Crash

Sydney, Aug. 11. The Empire Middleweight Boxing Champion, Dave Sands, died today after injuries sustained in a lorry accident near Newcastle, New South Wales.

Sands won the Empire middleweight championship in London in 1949 with a first round knockout over Dick Turpin. In a semi-final fight in London he was surprisingly beaten last November by Yolande Pompee of Trinidad in the seventh round.

Sands, who was born at Burnt Ridge, New South Wales, in February, 1926, began boxing in 1944. Sands, one of five boxing brothers, had dominated the top divisions in Australian boxing for several years, holding the national middle, cruiser, and heavyweight titles.

He bore a striking facial resemblance to Max Schmeling, the former German world heavyweight champion, though he scaled only about 11 and a half stone.—Reuter.

AMERICANS MOVED

New York, Aug. 11. News of Dave Sands' death caused profound grief among boxing followers in the United States.

Mr. Nat Fleischer, editor of the "The Ring" and one of the leading boxing authorities in the United States, said: "Boxing has lost one of its really great fighters. He was the best Australian boxer we have had since the days of Les Darcy."

Darcy was a sensational young boxer, who died in the United States during the first World War after coming here to appear in a world title bout.

"It is one of the saddest bits of news I have ever heard," Mr. Fleischer added. "Sands was right up there among the world's top."

Mr. Fleischer said that Sands died just when the way was paved for him to fight his way to a world title match.—Reuter.

TITLE THROWN VACANT

Sydney, Aug. 11. British Champion Randolph Turpin is the leading contender for the Empire middleweight title thrown vacant by the death of Australian Champion Dave Sands, who was killed in a road accident in New South Wales today.

Sands, who was 28, also held the Australian middleweight, cruiser and heavyweight titles. He died in a hospital after the five-ton truck he was driving shot over an embankment, near Dungog, in the Newcastle area, and rolled on him. Sands suffered head and internal injuries.

His brother, Alie, another boxer, was with him. They were to train at a camp.—Associated Press.

HKATFA Maps Out Programme For New Season

The Hongkong Track and Field Association meeting yesterday evening at the Southern Playground Welfare Centre. The meeting was presided over by Mr. P. Donohue, Chairman of the Association.

It was decided that the Association's general meeting be held on September 16 at 5.45 p.m. at the South China Athletic Association.

It was strongly suggested that Hongkong should send athletes to compete in the Asian Games to be held next year in Manila, and that the different clubs in the Colony do something about the lack of coaching.

THE PROGRAMME

It was decided that the following athletic meets be held during the coming season.

Oct. 26—Open Cross Country Marathon of six miles at Sek-kong.

Nov. 9—Ten Miles Team Road Race.

Dec. 21—The Inter-Club Meet, Boundary Street.

Jan. 4—Track and Field events for junior boys and girls under 17.

Feb. 8—Hongkong versus Kowloon, Boundary Street.

Feb. 22—Quadrangular Meet, at Sookunpoo.

Mar. 8—Hongkong versus Macao, to be held at SCAA.

Mar. 21—22—Colony Championship Meet, at Boundary Street.

April 12—HKATFA versus The Rest at Kai Tak.

April 20—Hurdle Meet, at Sookunpoo.

May 10—Pentathlon Meet, at Boundary Street.

MAC BAILEY TURNS DOWN INVITATION



When MacDonald Bailey, ace British sprinter, was in Helsinki, he was approached by C. Chugunov, correspondent for Voks magazine, to go and live in Moscow. Bailey refused. Here he is with the Russian sprinter, Vladimir Soukharev.—Express Photo.

BRITISH EMPIRE v. UNITED STATES

American Attention To Detail Pays Off

By DENNIS HART

Team work and attention to detail are essential for any country wishing to reach the top and remain there in world class athletics. The Americans, who at Helsinki once more proved themselves to be the Olympiad's dominant force, have these qualities.

They were again fully illustrated at the White City when a team of United States athletes defeated a strong British Empire side by eleven events to five.

This was the eighth match in the series, which was introduced in 1920 and has since been a regular feature of each Olympic year.

Such has been the American domination, that the Empire has yet to record her first victory. The nearest they came to success was in the first match, which ended in a tie. Each side won five events.

A unique feature of the meeting is that wherever possible events are run on a relay principle. It is therefore a real test of all-round strength, for in a race which is run in four legs, one weak link can easily ruin the chances of a team.

Hurdling, and the longer distance track events, which cannot suitably be run on the relay principle, are scored on a team basis, as are the field events.

In relay-racing, much of course, depends on the baton-changing, and it was here that the Americans scored with their attention to detail.

Not only in the shorter distances, such as the 4 X 110 yards, in which it is recognised that a smooth change-over can win the race, but also in the 4 X mile the Americans put in much practice to make their change flawless.

Their efforts were well rewarded, for it was this precision which won them the race.

The Empire team, with Roger Bonniester running the first leg, followed by David Law of Great Britain, John Landy of Australia, and Canadian Champion Bill Parnell, seemed strong enough to win for the Americans were without their star, Bob McMillan. Yet the Americans won by six-tenths of a second.

Their baton-changing was executed easily with no loss of speed. What a contrast the

the Empire team provided. Their changing was effected as though it were a mere formality, and precious yards were lost.

As the race ended with Landy only four yards behind Barnes, and coming up fast, better changing might well have brought victory to the Empire.

In the 4 X 110 yards race the difference was even more clearly marked. Indeed, when the race was over it was announced that the Empire team had been disqualified through not completing the first change in the twenty yards allowed.

In this event the Americans were only a fifth of a second outside the world record, and considering the appalling conditions—much of the meeting was conducted in continuous rain—it was a remarkable performance.

It was unfortunate that the remainder of the Empire team did not follow the example set by the Jamaican relay men. The way in which one runner handed over to the next while travelling at full speed, was a joy to watch.

It was well for the Jamaicans that their changing did work so well, for although they fielded their Olympic Gold Medal team of Wint, Loring, McKenley and Rhoden, speed alone would not have won them the race. At the finish the Americans were only two yards behind.

In the Women's 4 X 110 yards, Marjorie Jackson, Verna John-

son, Winsome Cripps and Shirley Strickland showed what could have happened at Helsinki had Miss Jackson not dropped the baton. They set up a new world record of 46.3 seconds. The Americans were also inside the previous mark with a time of 46.7 seconds.

Ronnie Clayton Is Willing To Fight McCarthy

By GEORGE WHITING

Efforts are being made to pair Featherweight Champion Ronnie Clayton in an overweight match in London next month with that rising young star of the East End, Stepney's Sammy McCarthy.

The idea, I suppose, is that McCarthy, ineligible by rule for championship consideration until his 21st birthday in November, should profitably employ the next few months learning as much about Clayton as possible.

Clayton is willing, but I fear there will have to be much powerful bargaining before the McCarthy party show any signs of interest. "McCarthy has won 16 and drawn one of his 17 fights, but he is still a baby, and in no hurry to fight champions," says manager Jack King. "His fight with Johnny Molloy, who knocked him down twice, shows that he is still in need of experience."

An understandable attitude—but completely different from that being shown by the management of that other featherweight "find," 20-year-old Johnny Butterworth, of Rochdale.

12 STOPPED

Ex-cotton operative Butterworth, having stopped 12 opponents, outpointed three others, and was known to be now acknowledged in the North as the most damaging young puncher seen in those parts since the war.

So confident are his mentors—he is managed by Tom Hurst, Bruce Woodcock's pilot—that they have advertised their willingness to match him against Clayton for a side-splashing of £1,000, with the slightly restrictive "rider" that the champion weighs in at the title limit of nine stone. From a promoter's point of view, a profit-spinning solution to this kind of impasse might be a "qualifying" match between McCarthy and Butterworth—but that, too, is easier said than done.

Unless present intentions are conveniently forgotten, in the jungle of inflated purses-money, the swift-moving but none-too-robust McCarthy will not be exposed to the featherweight lions until he has run through a few more lions.

BIG BUSINESS

Randolph Turpin, evidently learned a thing or two about big business in those two historic meetings with Sugar Ray Robinson. After his defeat at Yankee Stadium, New York, last September Turpin "took wine" with Robinson in the garish,

McGREGOR BEATS SEDGMAN 6-3, 6-4 IN EASTERN GRASS COURT CHAMPIONSHIP

Orange, New Jersey, Aug. 11.

Ken McGregor took a Men's Singles Championship from Frank Sedgman for the second time this year when he whipped him 6-3, 6-4 today for the Eastern Grass Court Championship.

Miss Doris Hart won the women's crown with a surprisingly easy 6-1, 6-3 conquest over her best friend, Miss Shirley Fry.

McGregor beat the Wimbledon and United States Champion, Sedgman, in the final of the Australian Championship, and turned on the steam again today in this thrice-postponed tournament. Both played their semi-final matches earlier today. McGregor turned back Dick Savitt, second ranking American, 3-6, 7-6, 6-3, and Sedgman won over 33-year-old Billy Talbot, defending Champion, 4-6, 6-0, 8-0. Coming after the dramatic semi-finals, the men's wind-up was something of an anti-climax.

McGregor continued to call upon a terrific service and volleying attack where Sedgman seemed to be a bit off timing. It was practically an encore of the Australian final in January.

FORCING TENNIS

McGregor broke Sedgman's service twice in the first set and once in the second. He played hard forcing tennis throughout, with Sedgman committing error after error as he chased his foot angled returns.

The courts were in a terrible condition for the men's semi-finals following heavy rains on Sunday. Both Savitt and McGregor are tall heavy men and both wore spikes. As a result the surface soon looked like a football field and McGregor fell repeatedly.

McGregor's service stood up throughout and he forced Savitt into errors. It was a terrible blow to Savitt, who is Number Two in the American ranking. He wanted a revenge for his defeat in Australia, but did not quite have the finishing strokes to achieve it.

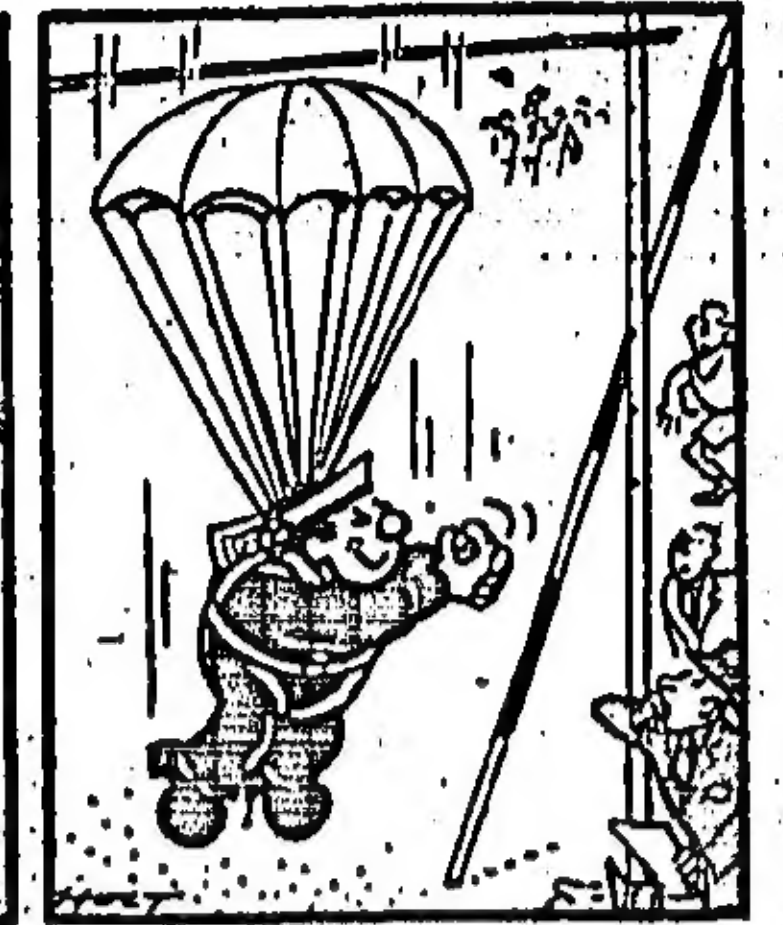
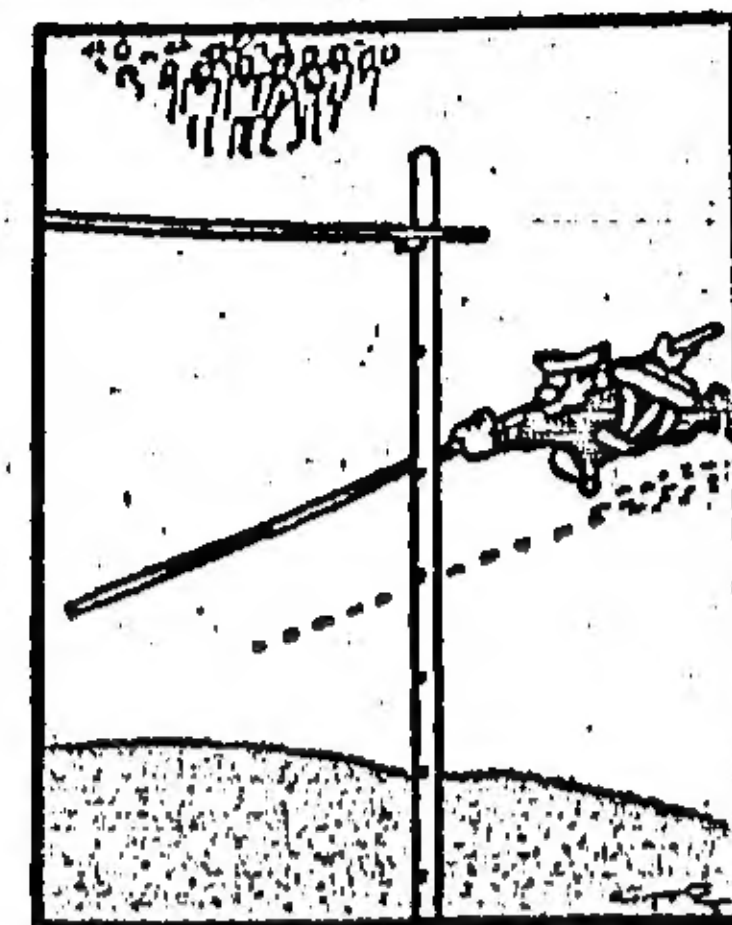
On the revenge angle, Sedgman was quite successful. Talbot beat him in the same tournament last year and Talbot should have done it again. But Billy became careless in the final set after leading 2-0 and 3-1, and Sedgman was quick to take the advantage.

The Women's Doubles title went to the Wimbledon winners, Miss Fry and Miss Hart. They defeated Miss Louise Brough and Miss Maureen Connolly,

17-year-old National Singles queen, 6-3, 1-0, 6-3.

McGregor and Sedgman won over the 17-year-old Lewis Hoad and Ken Rosewell, 6-3, 2-0, 6-4 in the Doubles. In

losing, however, the youngsters indicated the Australian will have the world's first tandem team for many years to come. It was only inexperience which cost their defeat.—United Press.



FOOTBALL COUNCIL MEETING

Mr Channing Lays His Probe Plan On The Table

A draft of the proposed terms of reference of the Committee of Investigation was presented to the Council of the Hongkong Football Association by Mr L. J. Channing at a meeting yesterday.

The Committee was appointed by the Council at its last meeting on July 26 to investigate or enquire into allegations of semi-professionalism in the ranks of local amateur Association football.

The meeting yesterday was presided over by Mr J.C. Guinness, Chairman of the Association, assisted by Mr R.M. Omar, Secretary.

Mr Guinness read a letter from the former Chairman of the Association, Mr J.C. Skinner, in Helsinki stating that a team from the Finnish Football Association was making preparations for a tour of the Far East, including Hongkong. The Chairman said the terms appeared satisfactory and it was decided to refer the letter to the Inter-Club Committee for action.

Mr L.J. Channing raised the question of the issue of free passes to sports editors of certain Chinese newspapers.

The Chairman said that the Association had no control over clubs with closed grounds and the issue of passes by these clubs was a matter of courtesy on their part.

PRESS PASSES

Mr Channing said that he felt the prosperity of clubs depended to a large extent upon coverage of soccer which was being given in local newspapers, particularly the Chinese Press. If it were not for the wide publicity given he did not think there would have been so many spectators attending soccer matches. At present passes were only issued to certain newspapers which gave a wide coverage of sports. He felt that clubs issuing passes should take into consideration all that had been done during the season by all newspapers.

Advised by Mr A. McAlpine how many passes were required, Mr Channing suggested that sports editors of six of the local newspapers be issued with these passes.

Mr Channing's proposal was adopted. Mr Channing also raised the question of issuing free passes to Junior Division League players. Whilst he realised, as the new Junior Club representative, that it was a difficult problem both from the point of view of the clubs and the players, he felt that opportunity be afforded Junior players to watch Senior League players and thereby learn and improve their own game. At present 15 passes were issued to Senior players on the ground that they might, by watching other Senior players, learn something from them. He felt that as these Junior players being the future soccer representatives of the Colony, be given the same facilities as now afforded the Senior players.

After some discussion a proposal by Mr L.F. de Souza that two Junior teams be issued with passes per ground per week-end in rotation was adopted. The nomination of the teams was to be made by Mr Channing who would refer to the secretaries of the clubs for the passes.

MEMBERS' REGISTER

Another proposal by Mr Channing, that the South China Athletic Association be asked to produce its register of members covering the period between January 1 and August 1, 1952, for inspection by the Council was passed.

In making the proposal Mr Channing said that according to the Association's rules, the Council had the right to enquire into the conduct of any player or player-club or club.

Referring to the Committee of Investigation, the Chairman said that at the last meeting this Committee was formed to go into the state of football in Hongkong and to make recommendations to the Council. Mr Channing was requested to draw up a draft of the proposed terms of reference, which had been circulated to members of the Council and as soon as possible any suggestions for amendments, to the League Management Committee, for consideration.

A proposal by the Chairman that all football matches played under F.A. rules were adopted.

On the question of broadcasting at football games, it was decided that a letter be written to Radio Hongkong asking them to give views expressed by their commentators the views of Radio Hongkong only.

The draft of the proposed terms of reference of the Committee of Investigation was as follows: (a) To investigate and/or enquire into violations of the rules, regulations or bye-laws of the Hongkong Football Association and/or the Football Association of England.

(b) To investigate and/or enquire into any person or persons, player or players, official or officials thereof.

(c) To make recommendations to the Council as to what steps should be taken to eliminate any irregular practices which might be found to exist.

(d) To make recommendations to the Council as to the nature of the punishment to be awarded any player or player-club or club, on the evidence adduced, have been proved to have violated the principles of amateurism by offering, making, providing, accepting, or receiving any payment or other consideration for the playing of Association football, which payment or consideration shall be over and above the payments or consideration authorised to be offered, made, accepted or received by amateur Association football players.

For the more effective carrying out of the above terms of reference, the Committee of Investigation shall have full power to request any person or persons, player or players, official or officials, to attend before the Committee for the purpose of giving oral evidence at any point and/or to answer all relevant questions which the Committee may see fit to ask touching upon the terms of reference.

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American Textile Industry Shows Signs Of Improving

New York, Aug. 11.

The American textile industry is continuing to show scattered but significant signs of improvement.

Plants, forced to close during the 16-month setback, are reopening. Others which curtailed operations sharply are resuming near capacity production. Construction of some new plants and facilities is going ahead.

Prices, some of which were slashed below profit margins in a desperate bid for business some months ago, are advancing on a fairly broad front. Towels are up slightly. Many cloth have edged forward.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Aug. 11.

World sugar futures closed today 2 lower to 1 higher with sales totalling 10 contracts.

Contract No. 9 closed unchanged to 1 lower with sales totalling 182 contracts.

Prices closed today as follows:

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